

REMARKS

Upon entry of the amendments, claims 1, 19-21, 27-29, and 37-48 will be pending in the above-identified application. Claims 14-16 and 30-36 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, and while Applicants specifically reserve the right to pursue claims directed to the same or similar subject matter in a co-pending, related application. Claims 1 and 37 have been allowed.

For clarity, Applicants note that, pursuant to the Advisory Action mailed 7/6/2007, the amendments presented in Applicants response filed 6/13/2007 were not entered into the record and the current claims have been presented herein accordingly. The currently presented amendments to the claims include cancellation of claims 14-16 and 30-36, as noted above. Applicants respectfully request entry of the current amendments because as the current amendments merely cancel certain claims, entry of the amendments would not add new matter or require a new search or consideration, but would merely limit the issues to be taken up on appeal. As such, entry of the presently requested amendments is respectfully requested.

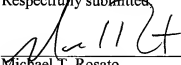
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance and an action to that end is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 206-467-9600.

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